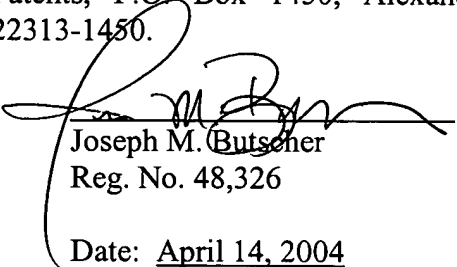


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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination and issuance of any office action in this application, please amend the application in this case as follows: